

Auditing Procedures Report

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Unit Name* Barton Hills Village	County* WASHTENAW	Type* VILLAGE	MuniCode* 81-3-005
Opinion Date-Use Calendar* Aug 1, 2008	Audit Submitted-Use Calendar* Sep 8, 2008	Fiscal Year End Month* 03	Fiscal Year* 2008

If a local unit of government (authorities & commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is NOT included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

Place a check next to each "Yes" or non-applicable question below. Questions left unmarked should be those you wish to answer "No."

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	1. Are all required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	2. Does the local unit have a positive fund balance in all of its unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets?
<input type="checkbox"/> ?	3. Were the local unit's actual expenditures within the amounts authorized in the budget?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	4. Is this unit in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	5. Did the local unit adopt a budget for all required funds?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	6. Was a public hearing on the budget held in accordance with State statute?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	7. Is the local unit in compliance with the Revised Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, and other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	8. Has the local unit distributed tax revenues, that were collected for another taxing unit, timely as required by the general property tax act?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	9. Do all deposits/investments comply with statutory requirements including the adoption of an investment policy?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	10. Is the local unit free of illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to your attention as defined in the Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	11. Is the unit free of any indications of fraud or illegal acts that came to your attention during the course of audit that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division? (If there is such activity, please submit a separate report under separate cover.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	12. Is the local unit free of repeated reported deficiencies from previous years?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	13. Is the audit opinion unqualified?
	14. If not, what type of opinion is it? NA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	15. Has the local unit complied with GASB 34 and other generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	16. Has the board or council approved all disbursements prior to payment as required by charter or statute?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	17. To your knowledge, were the bank reconciliations that were reviewed performed timely?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	18. Are there reported deficiencies?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?	19. If so, was it attached to the audit report?

General Fund Revenue:	? 757,391
General Fund Expenditure:	? 651,950
Major Fund Deficit Amount:	\$ 0.00

General Fund Balance:	? \$ 765,388.00
Governmental Activities Long-Term Debt (see instructions):	? 6

We affirm that we are certified public accountants (CPA) licensed to practice in Michigan. We further affirm the above responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (reported deviations).

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BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Washtenaw County, Michigan

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ended
March 31, 2008

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

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Independent Auditor's Report

August 1, 2008

To the Board of Trustees
Barton Hills Village
Washtenaw County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Barton Hills Village, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Barton Hills Village's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

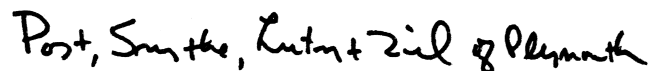
We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Barton Hills Village as of March 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and the defined benefit pension plan trend information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Barton Hills Village's basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information, as identified in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The other supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel of Plymouth". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel of Plymouth LLP
Certified Public Accountants

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Barton Hills Village, we offer readers of Barton Hills Village's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Barton Hills Village for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of Barton Hills Village exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$1,824,337 (*net assets*). Of this amount, \$1,092,972 (*unrestricted net assets*) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, Barton Hills Village's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,107,087, an increase of \$132,057 in comparison with the prior year. 100% of this total amount, is *available for spending* at the government's discretion (*unreserved fund balance*).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$765,388, or 117 percent of total general fund expenditures.
- Barton Hills Village's total debt increased by \$648 during the current fiscal year. This debt consisted solely of accumulated unpaid sick and vacation pay.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to Barton Hills Village's basic financial statements. Barton Hills Village's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Barton Hills Village's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of Barton Hills Village's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Barton Hills Village is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of Barton Hills Village that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*).

The governmental activities of Barton Hills Village include general government, public safety, public works and other activities. The Village has no business-type activities.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Barton Hills Village, like other state and local governments, used fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of Barton Hills Village are governmental funds.

Governmental funds. *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

Barton Hills Village maintains four individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund and Public Improvement Reserve Fund which are considered to be major funds.

Barton Hills Village adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund and special revenue funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund and the public improvement reserve special revenue fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 13 -25 of this report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of Barton Hills Village, assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,824,337 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

A significant portion of Barton Hills Village's net assets (40 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, infrastructure, and equipment). Barton Hills Village used these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although Barton Hills Village's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

	Governmental	
	2008	2007
Current and Other Assets	\$ 1,121,605	\$ 983,317
Capital Assets	731,365	734,102
Total Assets	<u>1,852,970</u>	<u>1,717,419</u>
Long-term Liabilities	14,115	13,467
Other Liabilities	14,518	8,287
Total Liabilities	<u>28,633</u>	<u>21,754</u>
Net Assets:		
Invested in Capital Assets		
net of related debt	731,365	734,102
Unrestricted	1,092,972	961,563
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,824,337</u>	<u>\$ 1,695,665</u>

The remaining, and largest portion of *unrestricted net assets* (\$1,092,972) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, Barton Hills Village is able to report positive balances in both categories of net assets. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

The government's net assets increased by \$128,672 during the current fiscal year as shown in the table below:

	Governmental	
	2008	2007
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$ 105,657	\$ 96,733
Operating Grants & Contributions	13,011	13,033
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	567,807	524,071
State Shared Revenues	25,270	25,112
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	46,306	36,322
Franchise Fees	25,956	-
Loss on Asset Disposal	-	(3,394)
Total Revenues	<u>784,007</u>	<u>691,877</u>
Program Expenses		
General Government	93,848	76,824
Public Safety	47,652	46,248
Highway and Streets	92,589	197,201
Public Works	227,457	99,491
Recreation, Culture, Health & Welfare	16,498	13,902
Other	177,291	167,146
Total Expenses	<u>655,335</u>	<u>600,812</u>
Change in Net Assets	<u>\$ 128,672</u>	<u>\$ 91,065</u>

Governmental activities. Governmental activities increased Barton Hills Village's net assets by \$128,672, due to the fact that revenues exceeded expenses for current activities, and no significant non-recurring costs were incurred.

For the most part, increases in expenses closely paralleled inflation and growth in the demand for services.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, Barton Hills Village used fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of Barton Hills Village's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing Barton Hills Village's financing requirements. In particular, *unreserved fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Barton Hills Village's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,107,087, an increase of \$132,057 in comparison with the prior year. All of this total amount constitutes *unreserved fund balance*, which is available for spending at the government's discretion.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of Barton Hills Village. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund and the total fund balance was \$765,388. Unreserved fund balance represents 117 percent of total general fund expenditures.

The fund balance of Barton Hills Village's general fund increased by \$80,441 during the current fiscal year, as operating revenues exceeded operating expenditures and there were no significant capital expenditures.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Differences between the original expenditure budget and the final amended expenditure budget was \$133,095 (reduction) which was mainly the result of deferral of planned capital expenditures anticipated in the original budget.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets. Barton Hills Village's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of March 31, 2008, amounts to \$731,365 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings water improvements, and equipment. There were no significant capital events.

Details to the Village's capital assets are continued in the notes to the financial statements on page 21.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, Barton Hills Village had total long term debt outstanding of \$14,115, all of which consist of accumulated unpaid sick and vacation pay.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The unemployment rate is still high in the State of Michigan and the State's shortfall in the budget means further reductions in state shared revenues. State shared revenues are expected to decrease again in the 2009 fiscal year. Barton Hills Village budgeted for a small decrease in state shared revenue. Significant capital expenditures are planned in 2008/2009:

Roads	\$ 75,000
Village Office	175,500

All of these improvements will be paid for out of accumulated resources.

These factors were considered in preparing Barton Hills Village's budget for the 2008/2009 fiscal year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Barton Hills Village's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Barton Hills Village Board.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Statement of Net Assets
March 31, 2008

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,063,233
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):	
Accounts	42,078
Prepaid Expenditures	16,294
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	<u>731,365</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,852,970</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts Payable	14,518
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Due in more than one year	<u>14,115</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>28,633</u>
 <u>NET ASSETS</u>	
Invested in Capital Assets	731,365
Unrestricted	<u>1,092,972</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,824,337</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

		<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	
<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>			<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Primary Government:				
Governmental Activities:				
General Government	\$ 93,848	\$ 95,847	\$ -	\$ 1,999
Public Safety	47,652	-	-	(47,652)
Highways and Streets	92,589	-	13,011	(79,578)
Public Works	227,457	9,810	-	(217,647)
Recreation and Cultural	16,498	-	-	(16,498)
Other	177,291	-	-	(177,291)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 655,335</u>	<u>\$ 105,657</u>	<u>\$ 13,011</u>	<u>(536,667)</u>

General Revenues:	
Property Taxes	567,807
State Shared Revenue	25,270
Franchise Fees	25,956
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	46,306
Total General Revenues	<u>665,339</u>
Change in Net Assets	128,672
Net Assets - Beginning	<u>1,695,665</u>
Net Assets - Ending	<u>\$ 1,824,337</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
March 31, 2008

	<u>General</u>	<u>Public Improvement Reserve Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 722,845	\$ 204,205	\$ 136,183	\$ 1,063,233
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):				
Accounts	40,767	-	1,311	42,078
Prepaid Expenditures	<u>16,294</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,294</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 779,906</u>	<u>\$ 204,205</u>	<u>\$ 137,494</u>	<u>\$ 1,121,605</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	\$ <u>14,518</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>14,518</u>
Fund Balances:				
Unreserved :				
Designated for:				
Subsequent Year's Expenditures	175,000	-	-	175,000
Undesignated-General Fund	590,388	-	-	590,388
Undesignated-Special Revenue Funds	<u>-</u>	<u>204,205</u>	<u>137,494</u>	<u>341,699</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>765,388</u>	<u>204,205</u>	<u>137,494</u>	<u>1,107,087</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 779,906</u>	<u>\$ 204,205</u>	<u>\$ 137,494</u>	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital Assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

731,365

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

(14,115)

Net Assets of Governmental Activities

\$ 1,824,337

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	<u>General</u>	<u>Public Improvement Reserve Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<u>Revenues</u>				
Property Taxes	\$ 567,807	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 567,807
Intergovernmental:				
Federal, State and Local	25,270	-	13,011	38,281
Lease Revenues	88,804	-	-	88,804
Charges for Services	9,810	-	-	9,810
Interest	32,701	7,965	5,640	46,306
Franchise Fee	25,956	-	-	25,956
Other	7,043	-	-	7,043
Total Revenues	<u>757,391</u>	<u>7,965</u>	<u>18,651</u>	<u>784,007</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Current:				
General Government	93,267	-	-	93,267
Public Safety	46,529	-	-	46,529
Public Works	81,343	-	-	81,343
Highways and Streets	201,926	-	-	201,926
Recreation and Cultural	16,498	-	-	16,498
Other	177,291	-	-	177,291
Capital Outlay	35,096	-	-	35,096
Total Expenditures	<u>651,950</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>651,950</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>105,441</u>	<u>7,965</u>	<u>18,651</u>	<u>132,057</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>				
Transfers In	-	25,000	-	25,000
Transfers Out	(25,000)	-	-	(25,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	80,441	32,965	18,651	132,057
Fund Balances - Beginning	<u>684,947</u>	<u>171,240</u>	<u>118,843</u>	<u>975,030</u>
Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 765,388</u>	<u>\$ 204,205</u>	<u>\$ 137,494</u>	<u>\$ 1,107,087</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 132,057
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense, and losses on disposal of assets in the current period exceeded capital outlay expense.	(2,737)
Governmental funds do not report obligations that are not expected to be liquidated with current resources. This is the amount by which the vested accumulated sick and vacation pay increased in the current fiscal year, net of any payments.	<u>(648)</u>
Change in net assets in governmental activities	<u>\$ 128,672</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

Barton Hills Village was incorporated on December 14, 1973. The Village government operates and maintains the water system and streets, provides police protection and certain other services formerly provided by Barton Hills Maintenance Corporation together with certain services previously provided by Ann Arbor Township.

The following organization is not a part of the Village and is excluded from the accompanying financial statements for the reasons stated.

Barton Hills Maintenance Corporation

- Financed primarily through rental fees
- Governing Board is elected by Village residents based upon stock ownership
- Village has no obligation to fund deficits of the Corporation, nor is it responsible for approving the operating budget

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the *primary government* is reported separately from certain legally separate *component units* for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Village.

Governmental Funds

The Village reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Public Improvement Reserve Fund is a special revenue fund used to account for the activity of major public improvements.

In addition, the Village reports on the following fund types:

The special revenue funds account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes (not including expendable trusts or major capital projects).

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation – Continued

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets or Equity

1. Deposits and Investments

The Village's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State statutes authorize the Village to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper of certain investment grades, and deposits of Michigan commercial banks. Investments for the Village, as well as for its component units, are recorded at fair value.

2. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "due to/from other funds" (i.e. the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e. non-current portion of interfund loans). Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources. All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of allowance for uncollectible accounts, which are recorded at \$-0- at March 31, 2008.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

D. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets or Equity – Continued

3. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental columns in the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of capitalized value of the assets constructed. Property, plant and equipment of the primary government, as well as the component units, is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Infrastructure	40
Buildings	30
Equipment	3-25

4. Compensated Absences

Under agreements with employee groups, individual employees have a vested right to receive payments for unused vacation, sick leaves and other benefits under formulas and conditions specified in the agreements. All sick and vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured. The long-term portion of compensated absences related to the governmental funds is a liability recorded in the Statement of Net Assets. This liability is composed of employees who retire and any unused vacation paid upon termination of employment. The total liability at March 31, 2008 is \$14,115.

5. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

II. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet And the Statement of Net Assets

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between *fund balance - total governmental funds* and *net assets - governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of net assets. One element of that reconciliation explains that "long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds." This difference is \$14,115, which consists solely of vested accumulated sick and vacation pay, which is not expected to be liquidated with current resources.

B. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-wide Statement of Activities

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between *net changes in fund balances-total governmental funds* and *changes in net assets of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation explains that "governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense." The details of this \$(2,737) difference are as follows:

Capital Outlay	\$ 35,096
Depreciation Expense	<u>(37,833)</u>
	<u>\$ (2,737)</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

III. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Information

The Village is legally subject to the budgetary control requirements of the State of Michigan P.A. 621 of 1978 (Uniform Budgeting Act). The following is a summary of the requirements of this act:

- a. Budgets must be adopted for the General and Special Revenue Funds.
- b. Budgets must be balanced.
- c. Budgets must be amended as necessary.
- d. Public hearings must be held prior to adoption.
- e. Expenditures cannot exceed budget appropriations.
- f. Expenditures must be authorized by a budget appropriation prior to being incurred.

The Village follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in these financial statements:

1. The Village Charter requires one regular council meeting per month. By the March meeting, a proposed operating budget must be submitted to the Village Council for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and means of financing them for the upcoming year.
2. A public hearing and adoption of the budget is required prior to March 31.
3. On or before March 31, the tax rate must be set and the budget is legally enacted through passage of a budget resolution (general appropriation act).
4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for the General and Special Revenue Funds. Budgets for these funds are prepared and adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The General Fund budget is adopted at the activity level and the budgets for the Special Revenue Funds are adopted at the activity level.
5. Budget appropriations lapse at year end.
6. The Village Council may authorize supplemental appropriations (budget amendments) during the year. In 2008 budget amendments were made and are reflected in the financial statements.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

III. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY – Continued

B. Compliance with P.A. 621 of 1978

1. Deficit Fund Balance

None of the funds have a deficit fund balance as of March 31, 2008.

2. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Budgetary Funds

The budget for the General Fund is adopted at the activity level and the budgets for the Special Revenue Funds are adopted at the activity level. Expenditures in excess of budget appropriations are as follows:

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Excess Expenditures Over Appropriations</u>
General Fund:			
Capital Outlay	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,096	\$ 96

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Deposits and Investments

Under State law, the Village is permitted to invest in deposits with Michigan commercial banks, savings and loans and credit unions, obligations of the U.S. Treasury, and corporate bonds and commercial paper with certain investment grades.

The following information as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 40, is presented regarding the Village's deposits and investments:

Custodial Credit Risk. In the event of a bank failure, the Village's deposits may not be recovered. Neither State law nor the Village's investment policy requires consideration of custodial credit risk. As of March 31, 2008, the Village's book balance of its deposits was \$1,063,233. The bank balance was \$1,061,101 which was exposed to custodial credit risk, as follows:

	<u>Bank Balance</u>
Insured by F.D.I.C.	\$ 518,153
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	<u>542,948</u>
Total	<u>\$1,061,101</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS – Continued

A. Deposits and Investments – Continued

Custodial Credit Risk – Continued

State law limits investments in commercial paper, corporate bonds, and mutual bond funds to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Village's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices.

Interest Rate Risk. The Village does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The Village's deposits and investments consisted of the following:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Weighted Average Maturity</u>
Deposits and Investments		
Savings and Checking Accounts	\$491,737	Demand
Certificates of Deposit	\$569,364	256 Days

Credit Risk. State law limits investments in commercial paper to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Village's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices. As of year end, all deposits and investments consist of demand accounts, pooled investments, certificates of deposit, all of which are not rated.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The Village's investment policy places no limit on the amount the Village may invest in any one issuer. The Village does not have more than 5% of its total investment in a single issuer.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS – Continued

B. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2008 was as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Capital Assets, not depreciated:				
Land	\$ 312,856	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 312,856
Capital Assets, being depreciated:				
Building and Improvements	290,687	35,096	-	325,783
Machinery and Equipment	85,678	-	-	85,678
Vehicles	190,008	-	-	190,008
Office Equipment	5,810	-	-	5,810
Infrastructure	375,577	-	-	375,577
	<u>947,760</u>	<u>35,096</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>982,856</u>
Less: Accumulated Depreciation:				
Building and Improvements	(194,858)	(4,329)	-	(199,187)
Machinery and Equipment	(52,285)	(4,754)	-	(57,039)
Vehicles	(139,947)	(18,780)	-	(158,727)
Office Equipment	(3,549)	(581)	-	(4,130)
Infrastructure	(135,875)	(9,389)	-	(145,264)
	<u>(526,514)</u>	<u>(37,833)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(564,347)</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, net	\$ <u>734,102</u>	\$ <u>(2,737)</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>731,365</u>

Depreciated expense was charged to functions of the Township
as follows:

General Government	\$ 581
Public Safety	1,466
Highway and Streets	25,531
Public Works	10,255
	<u>\$ 37,833</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS – Continued

C. Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

1. Interfund Receivables and Payables

There are no interfund receivables and payables at March 31, 2008.

2. Interfund Transfers

<u>Transfer In</u>	<u>Transfer Out</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Public Improvement	General Fund	\$ 25,000

The transfer to Public Improvement Fund represents additional budgeted "non tax" surplus revenues which will be used to accumulate resources for future capital projects.

D. Lease-Barton Hills Maintenance Corporation

Effective December 15, 1973, the Village entered into a lease covering the roads, paths, lanes, walkways, easements, water supply system, parks and certain other assets owned by Barton Hills Maintenance Corporation. The lease was renewed effective May, 1995 for a period of five years and automatically renewed thereafter until a revised agreement is prepared and executed by the parties as a replacement. Payments under the lease terms aggregated \$35,542 during the year ended March 31, 2008 and was provided from the General Fund.

E. Changes in Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the Village for the year ended March 31, 2008:

Long-Term Debt payable at April 1, 2007	\$ 13,467
Increase in Vested Employee Compensation	<u>648</u>
Long-Term Debt Payable at March 31, 2008	<u>\$ 14,115</u>

The following is a summary of general obligation debt outstanding (excluding compensated absences) of the Village as of March 31, 2008:

The Village does not have any general obligation debt outstanding at March 31, 2008.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS – Continued

F. Property Taxes

Property tax assessments are determined (Tax Day) as of each December 31. Taxes are levied on July 1 of the following year. The Village bills and collects its own property taxes which are accounted for in the General Fund. Village property tax revenues are recognized in the current year as revenue in accordance with the guidelines of the State of Michigan.

The Village is permitted by State law to levy taxes up to \$20 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation for general governmental services. It would also appear to have unlimited taxing power to levy for certain contractual debt subject to constitutional limitations.

	<u>Per \$1,000 of State Equalized Value</u>
Authorized Rate (Pre-Rollback)*	20.0000
Authorized Rate (Post-Rollback)*	12.0400
Taxes Levied 2007 Roll	10.0000
Tax Margin	2.0400

*Rollback refers to required reduction in millage rates to comply with provisions of state law.

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS – Continued

G. Employee Retirement Systems and Plans

Defined Benefit Plan

1. Plan Description

The Village contributes to the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MMERS), which is an agent multiple employer retirement system that covers all full time employees of the Village. The system provides the following provisions: normal retirement, deferred retirement, service retirement allowance, disability retirement allowance, nonduty-connected death and postretirement adjustments to plan members and their beneficiaries. The service requirement is computed using credited service at the time of termination of membership multiplied by a certain percentage based on the benefit program in effect as of the date of termination of membership times the final average compensation (FAC). The most recent period for which actuarial data was available was for the actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2006.

MERS was organized pursuant to Section 12a of Act #156, Public Acts of 1851 (MSA 5.333(a); MCLA 46.12(a)), as amended, State of Michigan. MERS is regulated under Act No. 427 of the Public Acts of 1984, sections of which have been approved by the State Pension Commission. MERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the system.

That report may be obtained by writing to the System at 447 N. Canal St., Lansing, Michigan 48917-9755.

2. Funding Policy

The obligation to contribute to and maintain the system for these employees was established as part of the Village's personnel policy. The Village is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the current rate of 9.32% was a percentage of annual compensation at December 31, 2006.

3. Annual Pension Cost

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, the Village's contributions totaling \$13,613 made in accordance with contribution requirements determined by an actuarial valuation of the plan as of December 31, 2006. The employer contribution rate has been determined based on the entry age normal cost funding method. Under the entry age normal cost funding method, the total employer contribution is comprised of the normal cost plus the level annual percentage of payroll payment required to amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liability over 30 years. The employer normal cost is, for each employee, the level percentage of payroll contribution (from

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 2008

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS – Continued

G. Employee Retirement Systems and Plans – Continued

Defined Benefit Plan – Continued

3. Annual Pension Cost – Continued

entry age to retirement) required to accumulate sufficient assets at the member's retirement to pay for his projected benefit. Significant actuarial assumptions used include a long-term investment yield rate of 8% and annual salary increases of 4.5% based on an age-related scale to reflect merit, longevity, and promotional salary increases.

Fiscal Year Ended	Valuation Date	<u>Trend Information</u>		
		Annual Pension Cost (APC)	Percentage of APC Contributed	Net Pension Obligation
<u>March 31,</u>	<u>Dec. 31</u>			
2006	2004	\$ 11,240	100%	\$ -0-
2007	2005	12,074	100%	-0-
2008	2006	13,613	100%	-0-

V. OTHER INFORMATION

The Village of Barton Hills is a member of the Michigan Municipal Liability and Property Pool for its general liability insurance coverage and a member of the Michigan Municipal Workers Compensation Fund for its workers compensation coverage. The Village pays annual premiums to the pools. The pools are self-sustaining through member premiums, and each carries reinsurance through commercial companies for claims in excess of the pool loss reserve fund.

In the event that a single loss should exceed the amount of protection afforded by the pool loss reserve fund, reinsurance, or other insurance carried by the pools, or in the event that a series of losses should deplete or exhaust the loss reserve fund and reinsurance, the payment of valid losses shall be the obligation of the individual member or members of the respective pool against whom the claim was made.

No such event has occurred with the Village of Barton Hills and the pools to which it belongs in any of the past three fiscal years.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Required Supplemental Information
Defined Benefit Pensions Plan Trend Information (Unaudited)
March 31, 2008

Municipal Employees Retirement System
Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Underfunded AAL (UAAL)	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percent of Covered Payroll
12/31/97	\$274,191	\$233,633	\$(50,558)	123%	\$128,769	0%
12/31/98	296,413	292,891	(3,521)	101	108,810	0
12/31/99	327,551	363,773	36,222	90	144,789	25
12/31/00	351,713	379,829	28,116	93	116,177	24
12/31/01	372,905	410,819	37,914	91	121,100	31
12/31/02	377,496	439,663	62,167	86	125,662	49
12/31/03	398,503	475,356	76,853	84	131,066	59
12/31/04	418,498	512,483	93,985	82	131,827	71
12/31/05	439,406	548,958	109,552	80	136,239	80
12/31/06	469,895	580,943	111,048	80	138,876	80
12/31/07	503,407	599,207	95,800	84	137,984	69

The information presented above was determined as part of the actuarial valuations at the dates indicated. Additional information as of December 31, 2007, the latest actual valuation, follows:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost
Amortization method	Level percent
Remaining amortization period	30 years
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	8%
Projected salary increases Includes inflation at 4.5%	4.50-8.66%
Cost of living adjustments	None

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:				
Current Taxes	\$ 571,600	\$ 567,500	\$ 567,807	\$ 307
State Shared Revenues	25,000	25,270	25,270	-
Water Services	8,000	9,900	9,810	(90)
Lease Revenue	74,000	86,800	88,804	2,004
Franchise Fee	-	28,680	25,956	(2,724)
Interest Earned	6,000	32,700	32,701	1
Interest & Penalties	-	650	654	4
Miscellaneous Revenues	5,680	5,680	6,389	709
Total Revenues	690,280	757,180	757,391	211
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
President	10,000	13,000	12,636	364
Election Department	1,000	820	814	6
Attorney	10,000	28,200	28,194	6
Clerk	14,897	17,700	17,689	11
Treasurer	35,868	34,000	33,934	66
Total General Government	71,765	93,720	93,267	453
Public Safety:				
Law Enforcement	46,900	45,000	42,379	2,621
Fire Department Services	5,900	4,500	4,150	350
Total Public Safety	52,800	49,500	46,529	2,971
Highways and Streets	200,800	202,000	201,926	74
Parks	18,250	18,000	16,498	1,502
Sanitation	40,300	40,000	33,918	6,082
Water Department	61,000	55,000	47,425	7,575
Capital Outlay	200,000	35,000	35,096	(96)
Other Functions:				
Fringe Benefits:				
Employee Housing Costs	25,500	20,000	16,095	3,905
Retirement	16,000	15,000	13,613	1,387
Hospitalization Insurance	52,000	55,000	53,834	1,166
Social Security	16,000	16,000	15,124	876
Other Fringe Benefits	1,500	500	380	120
Total Fringe Benefits	111,000	106,500	99,046	7,454
Insurance and Bonds	53,200	60,000	42,703	17,297
Miscellaneous	200	3,500	-	3,500
Property Lease	23,000	36,000	35,542	458
Total Other Functions	187,400	206,000	177,291	28,709
Total Expenditures	832,315	699,220	651,950	47,270
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(142,035)	57,960	105,441	47,481
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Transfers Out	(25,000)	(25,000)	(25,000)	-
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	\$ (167,035)	\$ 32,960	80,441	\$ 47,481
Fund Balance - April 1			684,947	
Fund Balance - March 31			\$ 765,388	

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Public Improvement Reserve Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in
Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
For The Year Ended March 31, 2008

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
Revenues:				
Interest Earned	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,965	\$ (35)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Operating Transfers In	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and other Financing Sources over Expenditures	\$ <u>30,000</u>	\$ <u>33,000</u>	32,965	\$ <u>(35)</u>
Fund Balance - April 1			<u>171,240</u>	
Fund Balance - March 31			\$ <u>204,205</u>	

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
March 31, 2008

	<u>Major Street Special Revenue</u>	<u>Local Street Special Revenue</u>	<u>Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 100,656	\$ 35,527	\$ 136,183
Accounts Receivable	983	328	1,311
Total Assets	<u>\$ 101,639</u>	<u>\$ 35,855</u>	<u>\$ 137,494</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance:			
Unreserved	<u>\$ 101,639</u>	<u>\$ 35,855</u>	<u>\$ 137,494</u>

BARTON HILLS VILLAGE
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	<u>Major Street Special Revenue</u>	<u>Local Street Special Revenue</u>	<u>Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$ 9,758	\$ 3,253	\$ 13,011
Interest	<u>4,152</u>	<u>1,488</u>	<u>5,640</u>
Total Revenues	13,910	4,741	18,651
<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	13,910	4,741	18,651
Fund Balance, April 1	<u>87,729</u>	<u>31,114</u>	<u>118,843</u>
Fund Balance, March 31	\$ <u><u>101,639</u></u>	\$ <u><u>35,855</u></u>	\$ <u><u>137,494</u></u>

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August 18, 2008

Board of Trustees
Barton Hills Village
Ann Arbor, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Barton Hills Village as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, we considered Barton Hills Village's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

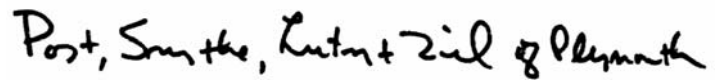
A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We believe that the following deficiencies constitutes material weakness.

1. The Village does not have procedures in place nor an employee with sufficient skills to prepare financial statements and record transactions in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.
2. The Village has inadequate internal controls over cash receipts and disbursements.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees of the Barton Hills Village, and the State of Michigan Department of Treasury, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Post, Smythe, Lutz + Ziel of Plymouth". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel of Plymouth LLP
Certified Public Accountants